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BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Investigation of the Petition of Customers of the Waterloo
Exchange for Transfer to the Marshall Exchange

2180-TV-129

**NOTICE OF PROCEEDING
AND
INVESTIGATION AND ASSESSMENT OF COSTS**

THIS IS A PROCEEDING to investigate the petition of customers residing in the Maple Heights subdivision in the Waterloo exchange of Verizon North Inc., for transfer to the Marshall exchange of Verizon North Inc. The petition was signed by 18 customers who indicated support for the change. The petition was received at the Commission on February 15, 2002.

The petition simply says "I am in favor of changing my telephone service from the Waterloo exchange to the Marshall exchange" and asks those signing to check one of three columns, "Yes," "No," and "Don't care." In addition to the 18 customers who checked the "Yes" column, two customers signed the petition but did not check any column. The 20 customers are said to represent all houses in the Maple Heights subdivision. Some customers signed more than once; duplicates were not counted.

The cover letter accompanying the petition states that the petitioners are in the town of Medina, which surrounds the village of Marshall; they have Marshall addresses and are in the Marshall school district. They are served by the fire department and EMS from Marshall. As Waterloo exchange customers, they have a different area code (920 instead of 608) and are not listed in the Ameritech Madison/Dane County telephone directory. Marshall exchange service would mean that calls to Madison would be local calls and that voice mail service would be available.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of Verizon North Inc. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from Verizon North Inc., in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

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Questions regarding this matter may be directed to docket coordinator Tom Gross at (608) 267-2337.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr
Secretary to the Commission

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